

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 3, 4, 6, 8-11, 13-15, and 17, and 20 without prejudice and substitute for corresponding pending claims the claims as shown rewritten below with amendments effected therein. Appendix I is attached hereto having marked versions of said claims with amendments indicated by brackets and underlining.

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1. (Amended) A satellite printing machine for rotary offset printing machine, comprising:

a common counter-pressure cylinder;
a feed system for feeding counter-pressure cylinder;
a delivery system engaging the counter-pressure cylinder;
at least five printing assemblies disposed as satellite printing units to engage the common counter-pressure cylinder along a segment from the feed system to the delivery system in a direction of rotation (D) of the common counter-pressure cylinder;
the at least five printing assemblies including plate cylinders and rubber blanket cylinders;

the plate cylinders and the rubber blanket cylinders of the at least five printing assemblies being disposed in cassette units shiftable sideways in a direction parallel to a rotational axial direction of the common counter-pressure cylinder from a use position into a servicing position.

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2. (Amended) The printing machine of claim 1, wherein the cassette units alternatively can be shifted in either direction of the of the rotational axial direction of the counter-pressure cylinder into the servicing position.

5. (Amended) The printing machine of one of claims 1 or 2, further comprising an electronic imaging apparatus for acting on the cassette units in their servicing positions wherein the cassette units are supported in their servicing position in a dust-free environment.

7. (Amended) The printing machine of claims 1 or 2, wherein the common counter-pressure cylinder is covered by a blanket and the satellite printing machine has one or more perfecting printing groups engaging the common counter-pressure cylinder along a segment in the rotation direction of the common counter-pressure cylinder from the delivery system to the feed system, each of the one or more perfecting groups being disposed in cassette units having inking and damping

groups which can be shifted in a direction parallel to the rotational axial direction of the common counter-pressure cylinder into servicing positions.

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12. (Amended) The printing machine of claims 1 or 2, wherein the plate cylinders of the cassette units are seated in cassette housings to be adjusted axially in a peripheral direction and obliquely, and adjusting means are provided to make adjustments while the printing machine is running.

16. (Amended) The printing machine of claims 1 or 2, wherein illustrating devices and cleaning devices are provided within a range of displacement of the cassette units.

18. (Amended) The printing machine of claim 1 or 2, further comprising a supporting guide assembly provided within a range of displacement of the cassette units for supporting the cassette units.

19. (Amended) The printing machine of the claim 1, wherein the cassette units include gear wheel connections for interfacing with a servo drive between the plate cylinder and the rubber blanket cylinder which are supported by a spring-mounted compensating cogging system such that gear wheels intermesh without backlash during pressure actuation and pressure take-off.

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